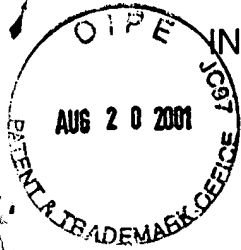


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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a \$140 credit (\$1,000 - \$860) in the Basic National Fee filing of the above-identified patent application, as applicants' International Preliminary Examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) was not paid to USPTO, but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO.

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